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# Update on Drilling Plans at Salmon Gums Gold Project

## **Highlights**

- PoW approved for drilling at Salmon Gums Gold Project 3,000m RC drilling planned for October
- Salmon Gums Project area expanded with grant of exploration licence E63/2122 covers 20km² to the southwest of the Project area
- New Exploration Licence also granted over the priority Spinifex Dome target at the Saltwater Gold Project in the Pilbara region
- Heritage clearance for Mt Deans Lithium-Tantalum Project is ongoing
- \$1.56m Capital Raise completed and \$550,000 received in JMEI Exploration Credits for investors

Aruma Resources Limited (Aruma) is pleased to announce the approval of the PoW for its maiden drilling program at the Salmon Gums Gold Project (formerly the South Scotia Project) in the Goldfields region of Western Australia.

The Salmon Gums Project is located along strike of Pantoro Limited's (ASX: PNR) Scotia gold discoveries (Figure 1). Salmon Gums has been subjected to limited gold-focused drilling (by Pan Australia), which identified soil anomalies coincident with the target area for Aruma's planned first phase of drilling.

The Company also advises that the Project area has been expanded via the strategic addition of exploration licence E63/2122, which has now been granted.

The new licence covers an area of 20km<sup>2</sup> over an anomalous area in the southwestern extension of the Salmon Gums Project area (Figure 1), where the prospective greenstone sequence has been identified by rock samples and geophysical data.

#### Salmon Gums Project Drill Planning

Aruma plans to undertake a maiden 3,000m RC drill program at the Project, comprising five lines of drilling with six holes in each line. Ten land access agreements have been completed with local landholders at the Project area, covering exploration licence E63/2037, and a Program of

## **ASX: AAJ**

Capital Structure
126M Shares on Issue
22M Options on issue
CASH \$3.75m

#### **Board of Directors**

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Gold Projects -1,696km<sup>2</sup>
Norseman

SCOTIA SOUTH - 222km<sup>2</sup>

#### Pilbara

MELROSE - 381km<sup>2</sup>

SALTWATER -652km<sup>2</sup>

**NSW Lachlan Fold Belt** 

CAPITAL - 358km<sup>2</sup>

Li Ta Project -Norseman

MT DEANS 1.44 km<sup>2</sup>

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Works (PoW) for drilling at this exploration licence has been approved to the Western Australian Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety (DMIRS).

The completed land access agreements cover a total of 68 km<sup>2</sup>, and include the main portion of the known gold in soils anomalies where historic drilling returned intersections of up to 7m at 2.74g/t Au in T26R002 (ASX announcement 6 July 2021) (Figure 1).

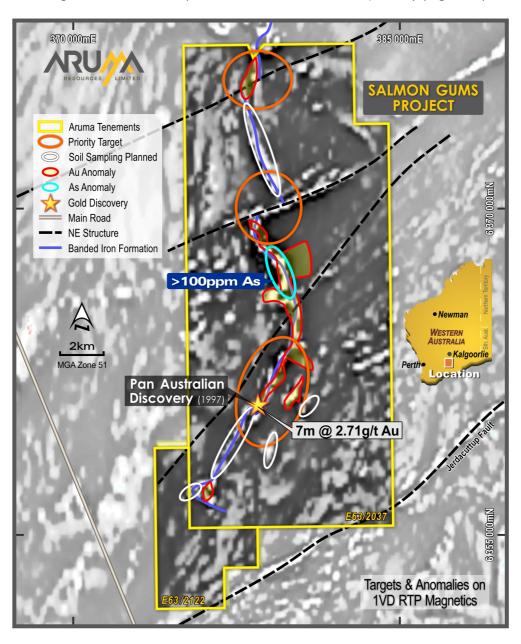


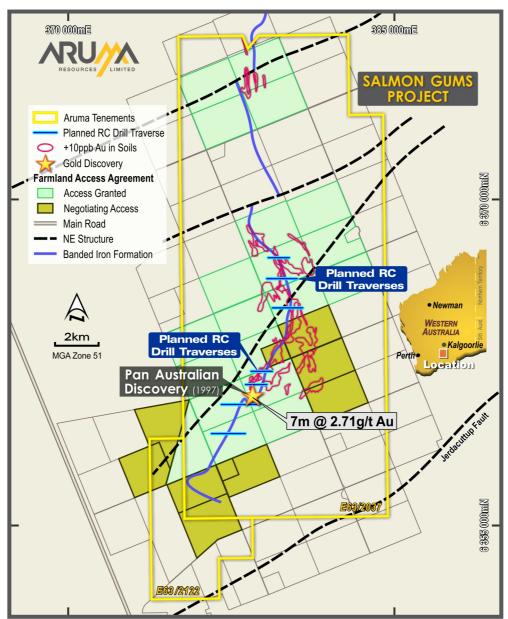
Figure 1: Salmon Gums Tenure and gold in soil anomalies

Aruma is currently undertaking site preparation for its planned maiden drilling program at Salmon Gums, and drilling is planned to commence in October, subject to the confirmation of drill rig availability.





Additional land access agreements will now be sought to facilitate access to anomalous areas and the commencement of exploration on the newly granted exploration licence (E63/2122).



**Figure 2**: RC drilling program drill lines on geochemical anomalies and geological trend at Salmon Gums. The accessed area of farmland is green and new negotiated areas olive.

#### New Exploration Licence Granted at Saltwater Gold Project

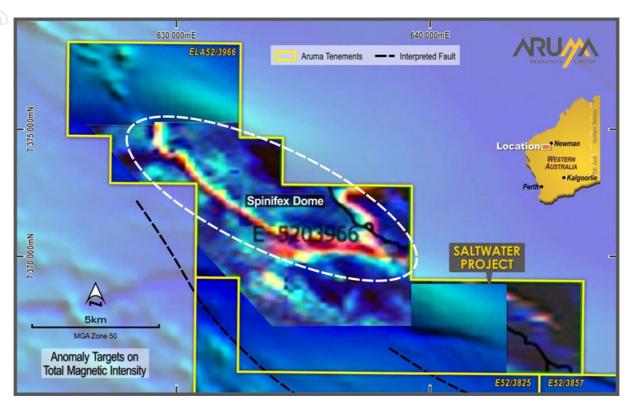
Aruma also advises that exploration licence, E52/3966, has now been granted at the Saltwater Gold Project in the Pilbara region of WA.

E52/3966 covers an area of 94km<sup>2</sup> over a ring structure, the Spinifex Dome (Figure 3), which is interpreted to be analogous to the Saltwater Dome, on the eastern portion of the





project. The new licence area is being followed up with field inspection and sampling in the current quarter.



**Figure 3:** The EM "Spinifex Dome" defining the target Duck Creek-Mt McGrath stratigraphy in granted Exploration Licence E52/3966

#### Junior Minerals Exploration Incentive scheme - \$550,000 in exploration credits received

Aruma is pleased to advise that it has received \$550,000 of exploration credits under the federal governments Junior Minerals Exploration Incentive (JMEI) scheme. This will apply to investors in the recent successful \$1.56m Placement announced on the 6<sup>th</sup> of September.

Authorised for release by Peter Schwann, Managing Director.

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Figure 4: Aruma's WA projects focussed on gold and lithium

#### **Competent Person's Statement**

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